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SMALL BOYS ROB A LOCAL RESTAURANT

The Long restaurant on Donner avenue was robbed about 7:30 last evening by two boys named Joe Young and Nick Margie, aged respecively 12 and 9 years.

It appears that the lads entered the restaurant quietly, one going on to the rear and engaging the kitchen girl in conversation. While this was going on, the other lad went to the cash drawer in a desk and extracted $2.00 and quietly disappeared. The hired girl soon discovered the loss and the police department was notified.

Lieut. Albright took up the case and soon picked up the lads enjoying the pictures in a local theatre, and when apprehended they still had $1.65.

This morning the accused boys were arraigned before Squire Watkins and after the facts in the case were heard it was decided to send them to Greensburg to be cared for by the Juvenile court. Mr. Long, proprietor of the restaurant was not inclined to prosecute the boys, he wanting to give them another chance, but it seems the parents insisted that they be given some punishment, hence they were haled before the Squire for his decision. The lads were taken to Greensburg on the 11:17 train.

The Woman's Aid of St Paul's Evangelical Lutheran church will hold a chicken and hot biscuit supper, Apr. 10th. in the church basement on Eighth street. 13-3t

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SIXTY NEW MEMBERS

Board of Trade Has Membership Boost---Rousing Meeting Last Night and Three Good Papers Were Read.

Many features of municipal improvements were discussed at last night's monthly meeting of the Board of Trade. The attendance was good and the papers as read by Miss Watson, Messrs. Dils and Morse Ney were well received. They appear elsewhere in this issue.

The matter of garbage disposal was brought up and discussed at length and experiences of other towns as to method of disposal were considered and discussed.

Quite a sensation was sprung when the membership committee reported sixty new members. This is the largest number reported at any meeting since the board was organized and almost calls for an extra banquet during the season. It was a pleasing feature of the meeting.

A new committee to be known as the municipal and county committee, was created by Chairman Tanzer. Mr. Williams of the West Penn Electric company, who was to speak on street railway extensions, could not be present on account of another engagement but will be present at a later meeting. He sent an interesting letter which was read. Routine business and other minor matters occupied the remainder of the evening

BUSINESS EXTENSION

BY MORSE W. NEY

We all know that Monessen was created for business. At first we were satisfied with the business that was to be had at home. The stores were small and young and the proprietors did not take the pains to go after more business People were busy getting a good solid foundation from which to work. That age for the town is past and it is up to us now to push out and advertize Monessen, not for our own selfish interests but for the betterment of the town. Because the amount of effort that you put behind an undertaking for the benefit of your town, that much you will be benefitted and no more.

Monessen is not a "sleeping community" because we do not live in that kind of an atmosphere Our social life and local activity shows it every day of the year.

The line of development for a town lies in the growth of the district in which it is situated. We have all heard of how people said at one time that Pittsburgh would never amount to anything, because it was too near to Brownsville. But the Pittsburgh community grew until it almost reaches back to Brownsville. It stops

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RENTING CONDITIONS

BY C. H. DILS

This subject is too wide a scope to be adequately treated in the limited time allotted to me, so I shall have to be content with discussing only a few of the phases which seem to me to be misunderstood by the average citizen whose business does not bring him into immediate contact with all sides of the question.

First, judging from the expressions one frequetnly hears from tenants, and from views aired through the newspapers from time to time, it seems to be the general opinion that rents are excessively high in Monessen Comparisons are made between the rates here and those of Belle Vernon and older and non-industrial communities and the conclusion generally is that rents are from 20 to 25% higher here than other communities offering like accommodations. Now, we might answer the whole question by the broad assertion that rents like the price of any other commodity, such as potatoes and flour, are governed by the law of supply and demand; but for fear that this might seem to be begging the question, we shall go a little more into detail and try to see a reason for the higher rates existing here.

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SANITARY HOUSING

BY MARIE WATSON

The present wide spread interest in the problem of housing is the result of education in the conservation of human life. A lack of interest is invariably due to absence of information of the direct result to society in general but unsanitary housing. Many of us think that this matter lies solely at the doors of our legislators and that we have no individual responsibility in the matter but the necessity of awakening public opinion by education as to how every individual must help in the campaign against preventable disease is at once apparent.

In 1913 Representative Culson prepared a most creditable bill to give the Departement of Health more specific power over housing in Pennsylvania. This did not carry with it any appropriation and it left to the present engineering division to look after water supply and the disposal of sewerage from houses and the State Dispensary nurses visiting the homes of our tubercular people relieves the inspectors of the Bureau of Housing of a considerable number of inspections they otherwise would need to perform.

Much has been done and much is being done but there is a broad field

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Another Chimney Fire

A fire alarm was sounded this morning about 11 o'clock and the trouble was found to be at the home of P. Maund, No. 61 Knox avenue. A chimney fire ignited the roof, but the blaze was extinguished before the fire department got up the hill, the damage being slight

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Washington's Birthday Monday

The second holiday so far this year for the Monessen postoffice, banks, etc., will be observed next Monday, Washington's birthday. The postoffice department authorizes the observance here of six holidays during the year, which means that the postoffice will be open but a short time on the morning on these days and that but one delivery and one collection of mail will be made by the carriers.

The first holiday is New Year's day with Washington's birthday following. The other holidays this year will be: May 30, Memorial day; July 4, Independence day; September 6, Labor day; November 25, Thanksgiving, December 25, Christmas.

San-Tox Toilet goods. See Kirk's window.

Death of Calvin Rodgers

Robert Rodgers received a telegram this morning announcing the death of his father Calvin Rodgers at his home in Hanging Rock, W. Va. Mr. Rodgers and daughter Elsie, and William Rodgers left today for the home of the deceased and will be absent until after the funeral. Mrs Arthur Shaller, a sister-inlaw of Mr. Robert Rodgers who has been visiting here for the past month, left yesterday for her home in W Va.

San-Tox Tooth Paste, 25c. See Kirk's window

"The Master Key" at the Olympic Monday. 1t

Mary Fuller in "Every Girl" at the Olympic Monday. 1t

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New Cadilac Agency

The Cadillas agency is demonstrating a new car brought to town yesterday from Pittsburgh by Chauncey S Duvall and G. F. Wright.

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6 room house and bath	25.00
5 room flat and bath	27.00
4 room flat and bath	22.50
4 room flat and bath	20.00
5 room flat and bath	20.00
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Six room house and bath on Park Way	$25.00
Five room house and bath on Knox avenue	$20.00

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REFUSES TO GIVE UP WORK AS REQUESTED

A pathetic case came before the burgess this morning involving a father and his sixteen year old daughter. The parties refierred to are William Carney and his sixteen year old daughter Lulu. The father was arraigned on the charge of drunkenness and the daughter was summoned before the court as a witness.

The father claimed that his arrest was unjust and unwaranted, that he went to a Greek restaurant near Twelfth street where his daughter works to persuade her to give up her job, that it didn't look well for her to be working in a place where no other girls were employed and where men loiter and loaf about. The girl claimed her father came there in an intoxicated condition and insisted on her giving him a quarter. She said she refused on account of the fear that he would go and get more drink.

Mr. Carney claims the girl will not give up the position and that despite all appeals and threats on the part of himself and her step mother, she will hold onto the position.

The girl told a pitiable tale of her home life, but the father denied it all. The burgess advised the girl to give up the work on account of the surroundings and look for something better, and he also told the father to quit drinking and provide a happier home for his family. Mr. Carney was discharged without a fine.

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Daily Independent

H. R. Pore, Editor and Publisher
G. C. Diehl, General Manager

CONVICT LABOR

In Friday's Daily Independent appeared an article on the use of convict labor for pay on highway making. The Belle Vernon Automobile Club is championing the new idea of using convicts on public highways and paying them for the service just the same as any other help, and urges the state highway department to take up the plan.

Co-operation and consideration is alright in the right place but to our idea this would be an innovation beyond the line of reason and right. Prisoners are put away because they have committed some wrong against their fellow man or violated some of the statutes of our land, and the sentence pronouhced by any court is as a punishment for that crime and not a convenience or for any financial gain.

A sentence is usually for a certain length of time "at hard labor" and it does not seem in the province of justice to say that labor shall be paid for.

The state is at great expense in keeping up penal institutions and the tax payers pay the bills usually. Hence where convict labor is used the profit of that labor should revert to the state or county in making highways better, improving or keeping up the grounds about prisons, jails, etc., and that labor not turned from a punishment as intended into a pleasure, a luxury as it were, for which prisoners would receive good compensation.

We cannot see the idea as right. If the state uses convict labor, let the state treasury be the beneficiary. If a county uses convict labor, let that labor go as an aid to the upkeep of public institutions and let a close watch be kept by proper authorities that such labor be not turned into a source of private gain or graft for private individuals connected with state or county affairs.

Convicts may do as good work as any other set of men, but their punishment for crime should not be so modified as to put them into a position entirely derogatory to the intent of law and justice, as meted out by our courts.

CANDIDATES BUSY

There is beginning to be considerable stir for the 1915 primary election which will be held next September and at which nominations will be made for nearly all county offices. Monessen will have more candidates in the field than ever before, and the town never having been able to get recognition at the county seat, is beginning to become a matter of pretty general discussion. However that does not hel Few people outside of our own borough are going to walk very far just to vote for a Monessen man. That isn't reasonable. The man who is able to secure a nomination for any office must himself be a hustler and get out and visit the voters. The personal contact campaign is the campaign of the present day. People want to see and get acquainted with the fellow himself and size him up from every angle. The day was when all that was necessary to get the vote was get in line with the organization and have the word go out that the name of the man was on the slate. Now slates are easily broken and candidates defeated without being served notice in advance. The candidate from Monessen or any other town who gets there, will be the fellow who gets up and goes.

Councilman Kruell is out fighting the Pittsburgh Steel. He has a pretty big concern to handle and he may be a bit wiser before he gets through, if it's possible to make him wiser.

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CHURCHES

The Associated Bible Students of Monessen will meet in Kelly's hall, Sabbath at 10 o'clock a. m. These meetings are ever and always interesting and beneficial and a hearty welcome is extended to all who may attend.

First United Presbyterion church, Schoonmaker avenue and Eighth street, Rev. J. M. Jamieson, pastor—Sabbath school at 10; 11 o'clock, sermon theme, "Life According to Scripture Teaching." 6:30 Young Peoples service, topic, "Favorite Chapters of the Bible," leader, Mrs. Jamieson. Evening worship at 7:30. Sermon topic "Heroes of Faith." You are welcome to worship with us.

Methodist Episcopal church, corner Schoonmaker avenue and Fourth street, A. H. Davies, pastor—Public worship at 11 a. m., sermon theme, "Sons of God Through Faith." Epworth League at 6:30, topic, "Samuel, the Bendediction of a Spiritual Home," leader, Miss Jessie McCracken. 7:30, a sermon to the Patriotic Order Sons of America, theme, "The Man Who Slew a Lion on a Snowy Day." Special music by chorus choir and orchestra. All are cordially invited.

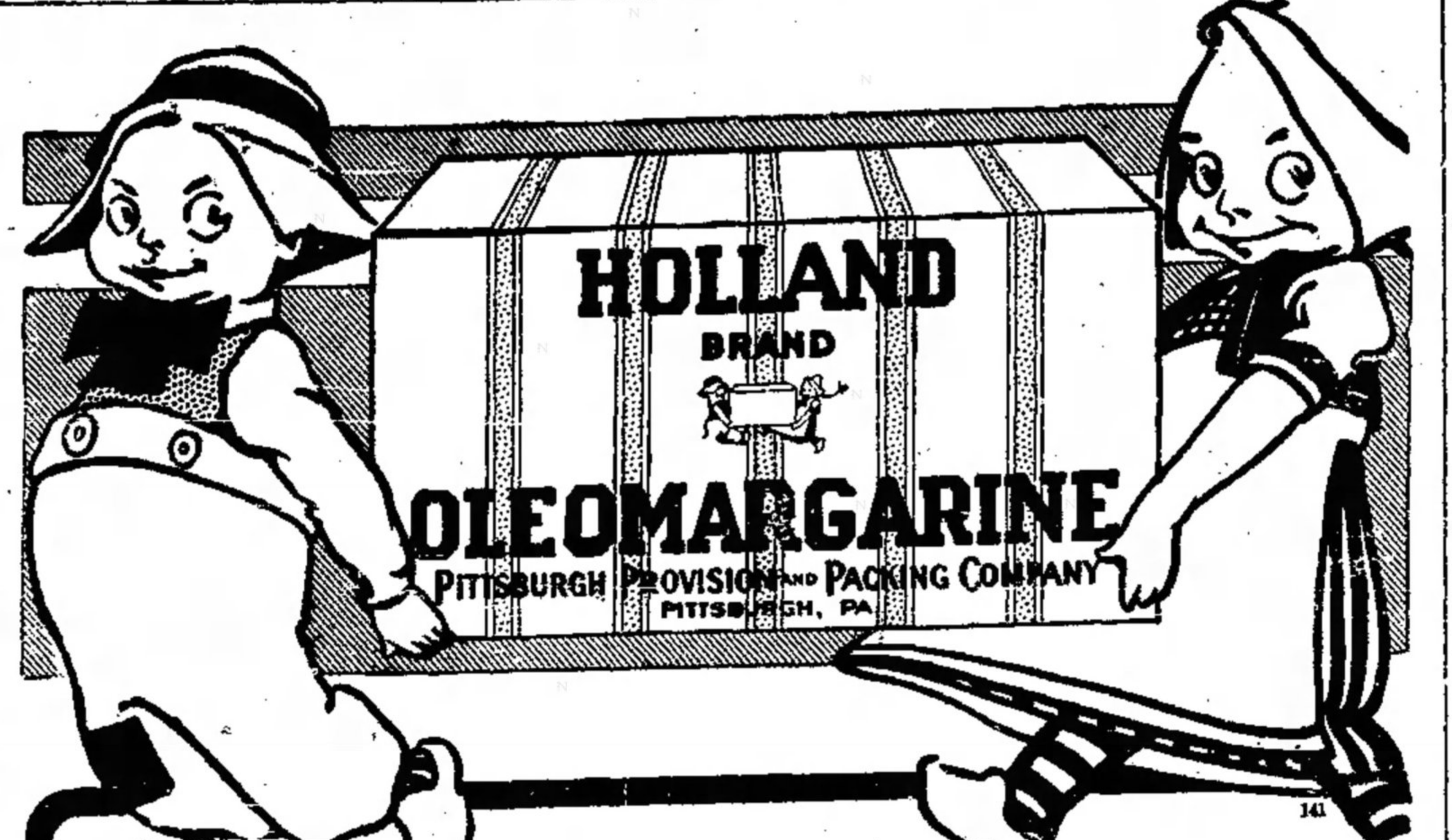
First Christian church, Sixth street near Donner, J. B. Swain, pastor—Bible school at 9:30; devotional service 11 to 11:30. Sermon by the pastor at 11:30, theme, "What we Are and What we Shall Be." Christian Endeavor at 6:30. Evening worship at 7:30. Sermon by the pastor, theme "What Christ is to His Followers." Young peoples' prayer meeting Tuesday evening. 7:30 midweek prayer services Wednesday evening. All these services will be open to the public. You will be welcomed.

Christ Evangelical Lutheran church, 221 McKee avenue, E. H. Albrecht, pastor—Sunday school at 9:30 a. m.; German services at 10:45, "The Divine Necessity of the Cross, Matt. 16: 21-26. English service at 7:30. "The Cross, a Symbol of Grace" John 19:17-18. German Lenten services next Thursday at 7:30. Please note this week we have Lenten services on Thursday and not on Wednesday evening. On Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock, the Rev. Otto Ebert of Broughton, Pa., will deliver his lecture on "Smiles." This will be the last number of the lecture course. Friday at 7:30 teachers' meeting and at 8 p. m., choir practice.

First U. B. church, 475 Reed avenue, B. F. Bungard, pastor—Sunday School at 9:30 a. m., G. B. Guist, superintendent; preaching at 10:45 a. m., theme, "Human Activity Divinely Controlled," John 2:5; Junior Endeavor at 2:30; Christian Endeavor at 6:30, topic, "Favorite Chapters of the Bible and Why." Psalm 23:1-6. Evening worship at 7:30. This service will be conducted by C. N. McCandless. licentiate pastor whose theme will be "By the Sea of Tiberias." John 21:15. Teachers' Training class Tuesday evening. Regular mid week prayer meeting Wednesday evening. A cordial invitation is extended to all.

First Baptist church. Schoonmaker avenue, Rev. W. S. Carson, pastor—Sunday school at 9:45; divine worship at 11; Band of Hope at 2; B. Y. P. U, at 6.45 and evangelistic services at 7:45. The theme for morning worship will be "For what will the believer give an account of himself before the Judgment Seat?" All are invited to worship with us. We will be pleased to see you at our Sunday school if not attending elsewhere. Young people's meeting, topic "Favorite Chapters." Wednesday evening prayer meeting at which the pastor is giving special talks on "The Age of Redemption" using a chart to illustrate Bible truths.

St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran church, Rev. C. E. Keller, pastor, Eighth street near Donner—Sunday school at 9:45 a. m., J. B. Smith, superintendent. Still we grow but need your help. Come. Worship with sermon at 11 a. m. theme "The Temptation." 7:30, "Not Foreign." Some readings and special music in addition to postponed installation of officers of the Luther League. Jr. Luther League at 2 o'clcok, Miss Myers, superintendent. Sr. Luther League at 6:45; topic "The World's Sin Bearer." Special Lenten services every Wednesday and Friday at 8 p. m. Fifteen minutes of prayer and praise to precede No better way to improve this holy season than to worship Him whose day led to the cross. Our study and worship centers on Him. Be with us in this Lenten service. You are welcome.



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Sent Anarchist Letter

Westmoreland County is coming to the front in rather a sensational way, having within her boarders a man who wrote a threatening letter to President Wilson at Washington City.

Frank Grandovec, an Austrian of Greensburg wrote the letter and signed it "Anarchist." He is now a prisioner in the County jail and alleges that his object in writing the letter and so signing the letter was to get himself deported from the United States to his home country—Austria-Hungary, to join his wife and family. Grandovec said he knew anarchists were not wanted in this country, and that the President, upon learning that he was one, would send him back across the ocean.

The man has been arrested and placed in the County jail at Greensburgh at the request of a secret service officer. He is being detained awaiting the action of the Federal authorities.

In great emerg whe e men are demanded in the vir ards, women are called to ass n wine treading. Our correspon ent saw young women wear ng their-own garments which the kilfully gather up around ther until they assume the biggest an most abbreviated of Dutchman "britchen" costumes, while in th rinery.

THIS IS A SCENE IN THE VILLAGE OF QUINTAS, PORTUGAL.

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Live Merchants use The Independent as their advertising medium. They know it goes into more homes in Monessen and vicinity than any other paper. Therefore it is more valuable to the advertiser.

BY C. H. DILS

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Money naturally flows into the channels offering the greatest safety to principal and the greatest return upon the investment. In this neighborhood it is comparatively easy to get investments that will yield 6%, with absolute safety to principal, and little or no trouble to the investor; so it is generally conceded that money is worth 6%.

Let us take a typical example of a renting property and see what the outcome is. For the past six years I have been agent for a certain six room frame dwelling with bath, situated on Reed avenue between Fourth street and Ninth street, valued by the owner—and conservatively too, I think—at $3,500. This house rents for $25 per month or $300 per year.

Against this are the following charges:

Repairs and general up-keep, including painting, papering, plumbing, etc. Average for the past six years	$43 47
Taxes	$53.50
Water	$13.00
Agents' Com.	$15.00
Total	$129.97

This deducted from the total rent for a year leaves $170.03 net income on an investment of $3,500 or 4.8%. Now this computation leaves out of consideration the depreciation of the house, but in this case this has been offset to the present time by the increase in ground value in this particular locality. This increase, in my judgment, has about reached the limit, and in future years, the showing is not likely to be as favorable as the above.

In the case of houses of cheaper construction, and which are built to house three of four families, the rate of income of course is higher, but to offset this, the enormous depreciati[illegible] due to the character of the occ[illegible] and the trouble and worry [illegible] for such a property must be [illegible] with.

There are also other fa[illegible] that must be considered in an [illegible]haustive study of rents. A m[illegible]facturing town whose very existence, not to say prosperity, depends on one type of factories. must always hold out a higher income rate as an incentive to induce capital to be invested in real estate whose value increases or decreases as the iron and steel business prospers or wanes.

What of the future? It is my candid opinion that very little, if any relief in the way of reduction of rents need to be hoped for. On the contrary, for the better class of houses with baths, electric lights, furnaces, etc., and the increased cost of construction, rents must increase rather than diminish.

Now. I wish to say a word in defense of the property owner and his agent against the charge that unsanitary and unfit basements are rented to foreigners at exhorbitant rates. It is now nearing the season of the year when the Board of Health with other town officials and newspaper reporters may be expected to make their annual tour of inspection along the alley between Schoonmaker avenue and Donner avenue from Oneida street to Eleventh street, and we may expect the usual cry against landlords and agents for permitting tenants to live under such conditions. I have no defence for the conditions as found. What I do wish to protest against is laying the blame all at the door of the landlord. We have dozens of vacant apartments for foreigners at the present time. Most of them are sanitary, clean and well lighted; but the tenants must climb one or two flights of stairs or steps against the hillside in order to reach them. Nearly all of the dark. unventilated basement rooms along the alley mentioned above are occupied steadily at higher rates than the sanitary rooms could be rented for. Shall the landlord refuse to rent his premises when the tenant deliberately chooses to live under such conditions? It is not a one-sided question at least, whatever you may say.

I think the landlord should co-operate with the municipal and health authorities to educate these people who seem to prefer the dark caves so that they may prefer the light. and that the police force by frequent inspections compel them to keep their place cleaned up, but I do protest against all the blame being laid at the door of the landlord. There is at least one encouraging prospect for the future and that is that the coming generation of children of most of these foreigners are not content to live under the crude and unsanitary conditions that their parents brought them up under. This will lessen the demand for the basements and increase the demand for the better class of apartments. Thus the law of supply and demand will, let us hope, ameliorate these conditions.

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BY MORSE W. NEY

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however at Webster. We are not going to let it go any farther. It has been said that the amount of business that comes to a city will be almost in proportion to the degree of agricultural development in the surrounding district.

Some localities have gone to the trouble and expense to advertise the agricultural advantages of the local country and in this way get the people to locate there. We might try this a little later, but for the present day we will deal with getting the people who are already here to understand that Monessen is for them. We can only do this by showing an interest in them. We can secure publications of agricultural experiment stations a[illegible] of the work of experts and successful farmers and can put them in booklet form for circulation. If we could gather some information regarding the results of the cultivation of the soil in our own neighborhood, it would probably be of more interest to the local farmers.

We need a local library where people could come into town and get any literature or information desired. Among the other things needed is a R. F. D. because the more that you can get a person to write Monessen the better that town will be known. These along with good entertainment and social opportunities are effective influences in bringing the town into closer touch with the people residing in this district. We also want that curb market, but do not expect to see a curb market the first day like some you have seen in other cities. It will take time to get it going but we can get it if we go after it.

Where will Monessen go to get out[illegible] business? Our industries have [illegible]ld for their market while the [illegible] business man will have to put [illegible]h his best efforts and see how far [illegible]e can extend the Monessen community. Will it be within a radius of one mile or thirty miles? That will be determined on circumstances and the energy put forth. One thing we must do first and that is to maintain well what is already within our boundaries.

Buy home products and boost home products. Then we can look with pride to our successful factories and when we have the opportunity to offer someone a factory location, we can give them the best proof that this is the spot for them because local concerns survive. We ought to have a larger variety of factories,not of the large kind employing thousands of men, but small ones where 50, 100 or 200 men are employed. Then when a lull comes in some of the industries, our labor is not thrown entirely out of employment.

We hear the argument advanced that the local merchant ought to be patronized because he pays his part of the taxes, supports the churches and the schools and bears his share of the burden of keeping up the town. The business man has to remember that the community is not interested in maintaining any man who is not able to supply the goods and sell them in competition with other merchants. both at home and abroad.

We can combat the mail order house in two ways and that is by giving the people as good if not better values for their money and by teaching the public that they can obtain the article more quickly, and can also inspect the article before accepting it when they deal at home. There appears to be no reason why the different merchants in this community might not issue a joint booklet or catalogue in much the same form as those of the mail order houses. Each merchant could get out a one or two page add, size 8x11 inches. and these could be put in booklet form and mailed to a large surrounding trade. The cost when divided would be comparatively small. But this is not all, the consumer not only could see the article in printed form, but sould examine before purchasing.

The price of getting on in business and extending it is like the price of liberty, eternal vigilance. and it is only by watching all of the factors involved that the merchant can be sure that he can hold his place and secure his profit. The continuance of any particular type of busines in a community depends upon its economic efficiency. If it is not able to meet the competition with which it is confronted. the chances are that it will not be long lived.

BY MARIE WATSON

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for work in the problem. So make thorough our labors relating to the duty we must follow the individual man, woman or child through all the twenty four hours of the day. First, where he sleeps is a good place to begin. We know babies sleep most of the time and are familiar with our grandmothers' saying that the baby grows while he sleeps. So we will consider sanitary housing as it relates to sleep.

Every bedroom should have at least two windows to secure free ventilation and permit the sun's rays to shine in during some part of the day. Sunlight is the best germicide for tubercle bacilli, and many other germs. Many women keep out the sun because it fades the carpet or furnishings, and thus harbors disease, so we are not surprised that the poor man with a large family does not hesitate to take rooms with out sunlight or facility for ventilation if the rent is cheap and more than likely the architect has not considered that the family spends the most time in the bed room and if there is any room that must be dark it should not be the sleeping rooms. Whole families sleep without pure air and where daylight never enters and we pay money to our hospitals to cure what we could prevent. Immediately some one says that condition might exist in the city, but we have plenty of room in Monessen and this evil is unknown to us. Monessen has plenty of room and Monessen should take steps to prevent the growth of this very thing.

A tubercular patient occupies a room in the Odbert building with her husband and baby. There is only one window and in such close proximity to the adjacent building that the sun never finds it.

At 39 Schoonmaker avenue, a family of seven sleeps in a basement room. There are two windows but the sun never sees them and the musty dampness of the air in the room makes the unaccustomed visitor faint. Five little children, only two of which have the happy respite of school hours sleep and live in this room.

There are many other such cases, but I mention these two because they have very recently been brought to my attention. About two years ago a tuberculosis patient and four others occupied a basement at 13 Schoonmaker avenue. None of the family were robust. I advised them to move at once, as the house was largely the source of their ill health. An opportunity presented itself for them to move out to a little shack not well fortified against the fresh air and with plenty of sunlight and a little garden patch. The patient was able to support herself and family, and eighteen months later was discharged by Dr. Cramer from the Dispensary. The disease was arrested. I frequently find little wooden shacks loosely constructed with plenty of knot holes and furnished with large sashes which are more sanitary than the steam heated flat of a fashionable apartment house. Among the foreigners the most evil I fight is crowding. Some of the foreigners come here with the idea of saving all they make. so they may return home with their little fortunes.

These houses breed disease and are a menace to rich and poor alike. In the rear of a shop on Schoonmaker avenue, Dr. Duvall sent me to visit a tubercular patient and I found him in a room with five others seated by a coal stove which precluded proper ventilation.

As usual there was a day shift and a night shift, the mattresse were never cold. The patient was a far advanced case and the floor was filthy with expectoration and dust. A fly which had been alive or bred in the dirt added to sanitary conditions here. I spent two or three hours at different times with an interpreter trying to get them to clean up, but as long as there is no ordinance against such conditions, they will exist.

One of my patients told me that in London the number of people who may sleep in a room is limited by law.

At 1057 Highland avenue there is a foreign tubercular who sleeps in a room with four others. He has been to the sanitarium and educated in right living but nothing but the law rightly enforced could persuade him to aid in the prevention of disease. I was there at dinner time one day last fall, a warm day and the windows were unscreened and flies were black

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Local Notes

"The Master Key" at the Olympic Monday. 1t

Mrs. G. C. Diehl left this morning for Butler, where she will visit her sister, Mrs C S Amos for a few days.

Mrs Morse Ney, Miss Lou B or and Miss May Sanderson, are taking in "The Girl from Utah" at the Nixon today.

"Ridgeway of Montana" in three reels, featuring Marie Walacamp and William Clifford at the Olympic today. 1t

Mrs. Clara Holly of Upper Sandusky, Ohio, formerly of Monessen, is visiting at the home or E. A. Wells of Reed avenue. Mrs. Holly will probably remain sceveral weeks.

Death of Mrs. Bowlin

Mrs. Mary A. Bowlin, wife of Thomas Bowlin, died Friday afternoon at her home. 235 Schoonmaker avenue, of cancerous affection, after being a long sufferer and confined to her room about four months Deceased was 47 years of age, and had been a resident of Monessen about ten years, her former home having been Uniontown. She was a member of the United Brethren church and the pastor, Rev. B F. Bungard, will conduct funeral services at the home at 2:30 Sunday afternoon The remains will be taken t oUniontown Monday for interment. Mrs Bowlin is survived by the husband, one daughter, Mrs. Kate Pensford, a sister, Mrs. Della McLaughlin, and a nephew, Walter McLaughlin, all residing in Monessen.

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ORGANIZATION OF A CHILD WELFARE CIRCLE

A very enthusiastic body of representative mothers of Monessen met in the Jefferson school to organize a Child Welfare Circle, a branch of the National Congress of Mothers. The meeting was opened by a short talk by Miss N. L. Smith. The following officers were elected: Mrs. G. H Thomas, president: Mrs. E. L. Hibbs, vice president, Mrs. J. K Boyd, secretary; Beard of Directors—Mrs. Wm. Frantz, Mrs. J. E. Newcomer and Mrs. W A Woods. The next meeting will be held at the same place Monday, March 1, 1915.

BY MARIE WATSON

on the food

At "Shibo Castel" when I have a patient at the top, I always stop on the little balcony and get a breath of air before I go on up. The plumbing in this building has always been defective, and this added to the careless habits of irresponsible inmates, renders it totally unfit for residence. I have seen beds as close together as they could be placed and they also did double duty.

Many of the little fruit stores along Donner and Schoonmaker avenue have boarding houses in the rear or above Last summer few of these were screened and the flies flew from these breeding places on the vegetables and fruit which were unprotected from their germ covered bodies Many of the valley towns require protection from the flies of the grocerymen or fruit venders. An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure. If the water supply of Morgan avenue had been condemned the recent epidemic of typhoid would have been prevented. To prevent flies from breeding, keep streets and back yards clean, also dirty alleys where garbage and refuse are scattered about. Mosquitos breed in stagnant water. the old rusty cans that are half filled with water and lie on ash heaps andonback alleys are what mosquitos like. The insects that infest Monessen will not breed in running water. Do not allow cans and barrels to lie around a clean town. Monessen can't be clean until we have the garbage collected by the borough. This has been tried out by other towns. We can benefit by their experience. Monessen should be proud of her children's playground.

The present tendency is to foster the growth of children rather than teach them to grow plants. A vacant lot. the repository of tin cans and garbage can be used and the children taught to grow vegetables where only rags and bottles grew before. Unsanitary plumbing and heating should claim our attention. Many devices used in dwellings are essentially unsanitary and should be forbidden. The use of a long chain in a bath tub and a hidden plug which carries disease germs from the waste pipes are particularly objectionable. On a paper of these proportions, it is impossible to touch lightly on each of the features of sanitary and unsanitary housing. If we are to assimilate the foreigner and make him a good citizen instead of a menace to our town, we must educate him to his responsibility in protecting himself and others from disease.

SUFFRAGISTS

WILL HONOR MEMORY OF

WASHINGTON

The Monessen Suffrage association will hold a special meeting Monday evening, Feb. 22 in the M. E. church Several important changes have been made in the plan for local work by the state association and Suffragists all over the state are readjusting their programs.

In Monessen the regular monthly program will be discontinued and all committees will be filled.

Mite box day will be celebrated, and at the next meeting the election of a new president will take place. It is with the greatest regret that the local association had to accept the resignation of their former president, Mrs. P P Bush.

Mrs. Bush has not been well for some time and is forced to lay aside from all activities for the present. She will be missed in the many lines of social work that she has been so efficiently active in. All her associated workers will welcome her speedy return to take up the leadership. A full attendance of all who are interested in Suffrage is urged for the Monday evening meeting.

SPORTS

The St Leonard Lyceum basket ball team last night defeated the Elizabeth Cologians by a score of 28-12. Stark played his usual good game. Following is the lineup:

Lyceum		Elizabeth Col.
Stark	F	Baum
Jones	F	Wycoff
McMahan	C	Hall
Hutchinson	G	Morris
Quinlon	G	L. Hall
Bearer	G	Calhoun

Field goals—Stark, 9; Jones, 2; Bearer, 1; Wycoff, 2; Hall, 1; Baum, 1.

Fouls—Stark—4 out of 7.

Baum—4 out of 10.

Open House

Camp No. 756 of the Patriotic Sons of America will hold an open meeting at Kelly's hall, Donner avenue, Monday evening, Feb 22, 1915, to which the public is cordially invited. The following program has been selected and a pleasant evening is assurred all who may attend.

Selection	Orchestra
Selection	Colonial Quartette
Solo	W. Williams
Address on Patriotism of 1776 and 1915	Rev. Dr. Keller
Presentation of Past Presidents Jewels	

Following the above a dainty lunch will be served without charge to all present, the committee having looked well to this feature of the evening's program. A hearty welcome to all.

READY FOR BUSINESS

R T. Dale. manager of the Shaw Motor company. is ready for business. A car load of machines was unloaded at the local station and placed in the company's store room in the Independent building. Mr. Dale will be ready soon to welcome the public and prospective purchasers.

Firemen' Big Feast

An order for 500 pounds of turkey for the South Brownsville Firemen's benefit supper to be given at the Central Presbyterian Church Thursday evening, February 25, has been placed. indicating that the firemen are expecting a great time. A number of the firemen of Monessen, Charleroi and Belle Vernon are talking of taking in the affair and judging from the way the committes are working. it is being looked forward to as the greatest firemen's benefit ever held along the valley.

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